

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	8:10CR201
vs.	)	
	)	<b>PRELIMINARY ORDER</b>
STEVEN TAYLOR,	)	<b>OF FORFEITURE</b>
KATHLEEN FISCHER,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

NOW ON THIS 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011, this matter comes on before the Court upon the United States' Motion for Issuance of Preliminary Order of Forfeiture. The Court reviews the record in this case and, being duly advised in the premises, finds as follows:

1. The Defendants have entered into Plea Agreements whereby they have agreed to plea guilty to Count I of said Indictment and the Forfeiture Allegation. Count I of said Indictment charged the Defendants with conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine, a violation of 21 U.S.C. § 846. The Forfeiture Allegation charged the Defendants with using \$6,257.00 in United States currency and the real property located at 4742 S. 52<sup>nd</sup> St., Omaha, Nebraska, to facilitate the commission of the conspiracy and charged said personal properties are derived from proceeds obtained directly or indirectly as a result of the commission of the conspiracy.

2. The Defendant, Steven Taylor, admitted the Forfeiture Allegation. Additionally, the Defendant, Kathleen Fischer, agreed to resolve the Forfeiture Allegation by tendering \$3,734.00 to the United States. The United States represents it has timely received said funds. The parties have agreed the forfeiture will proceed against the \$3,734.00, rather than the real property.

3. By virtue of said pleas of guilty, the Defendants forfeit their interest in the subject properties, and the United States should be entitled to possession of said properties, pursuant to 21 U.S.C., § 853.

4. The United States' Motion for Issuance of Preliminary Order of Forfeiture should be sustained.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

A. The United States' Motion for Issuance of Preliminary Order of Forfeiture is hereby sustained.

B. Based upon the Forfeiture Allegation of the Indictment and the Defendants' pleas of guilty, the United States is hereby authorized to seize \$3,743.00 and \$6,257.00 in United States currency.

C. The Defendants' interests in the \$3,743.00 and \$6,257.00 in United States currency are hereby forfeited to the United States for disposition in accordance with the law, subject to the provisions of 21 U.S.C., § 853(n)(1).

D. The aforementioned forfeited properties are to be held by the United States in its secure custody and control.

E. Pursuant to 21 U.S.C., § 853(n)(1), the United States forthwith shall publish for at least thirty consecutive days on an official internet government forfeiture site [www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov) notice of this Order, Notice of Publication evidencing the United States' intent to dispose of the properties in such manner as the Attorney General may direct, and notice that any person, other than the Defendants, having or claiming a legal interest in any of the subject forfeited properties must file a

Petition with the court within thirty days of the final publication of notice or of receipt of actual notice, whichever is earlier.

F. Said published notice shall state the Petition referred to in Paragraph E, above, shall be for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the Petitioner's alleged interest in the properties, shall be signed by the Petitioner under penalty of perjury, and shall set forth the nature and extent of the Petitioner's right, title or interest in the subject properties and any additional facts supporting the Petitioner's claim and the relief sought.

G. The United States may also, to the extent practicable, provide direct written notice to any person known to have alleged an interest in the property subject to this Order as a substitute for published notice as to those persons so notified.

H. Upon adjudication of all third-party interests, this Court will enter a Final Order of Forfeiture pursuant to 21 U.S.C., § 853(n), in which all interests will be addressed.

ORDERED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.

**BY THE COURT:**

s/ Joseph F. Bataillon  
**JOSEPH F. BATAILLON, CHIEF JUDGE**  
**United States District Court**